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MESSAGE

FROM THE

PRESIDENT of the UNITED STATES,

COMMUNICATING

THE REPORT

OF THE

DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

OF

THE OPERATIONS OF THAT INSTITUTION

DURING

THE LAST YEAR.

JANUARY 28, 1807.

Ordered to lie on the table.

CITY OF WASHINGTON:

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1807.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States.

I communicate, for the information of congress, the report of the director of the mint, of the operations of that establishment during the last year.

TH: JEFFERSON.

January 27, 1807.

MINT OF UNITED STATES,

January 1*st*, 1807.

SIR,

AT the commencement of the present year, I have the honor of laying before you a report of the operations of the mint during the last year.

From the treasurer's annual statement, it will appear, that during this period there have been struck at the mint, gold coins to the amount of 324,505 dollars, and silver coins to the amount of 471,319 dollars, making the total amount 795,824 dollars, and the number of pieces 1,111,409.

By comparing this years coinage of the precious metals with that of the ten preceding years, the time that the mint had been in full operation, it will appear that though the expense has been comparatively moderate, yet the amount struck is nearly *double* the average annual amount during that period, and the number of pieces (the most accurate measure of the quantity of labor) considerably more than *quadruple*.

This favourable circumstance may, in a great measure, be ascribed to the regular supply of bullion, furnished chiefly by the bank of United States, and the bank of Pennsylvania; nor is there any doubt of a like supply during the current year.

It will be observed that but little has been done in the coinage of copper during the last year. This was owing to the cent-press requiring a new screw, and other repairs, which it was not easy to procure: and besides it was but seldom that a hand could be spared for this purpose from the more urgent business of the mint.

Arrangements are however now made for carrying on this coinage during the present year, which it is hoped will fully supply all current demands for this species of coin.

I have the honor to be,

With sentiments of the

Most perfect esteem,

Your obedient servant,

R. PATTERSON.

Thomas Jefferson,
President of the United States.

An Abstract *of the expenditures of the mint of the United States from the* 1st *January to the* 31st *December* 1806, *viz.*

		Salaries.	Wages.	Incidental.	Totals.
1806.	Quarter ending in March, . . .	2,650	1,376 91	445 98	4,472 89
	June, ...	2,650	1,568 05	823 37	5,041 42
	September, . .	2,650	1,632 68	386 33	4,669 01
	December, . .	2,650	1,772 11	1,024 27	5,446 38
		10,600	6,349 75	2,679 95	
	AMOUNT, *Dollars*, ...				19,629 70

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
TREASURER's OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, 31st *December*, 1806.
BENJAMIN RUSH.

A Statement

OF the Coins struck at the Mint of the United States, from the 1st *January to the* 31st *December*, 1806, *viz.*

	Half Eagles.	*Quarter Eagles.*	*Amount in Dollars. Cents.*	*Totals.*
GOLD COINS.				
1806. Quarter ending in March,	5,930	1,616	33,690	
June,	3,746	. . .	18,730	
September,	36,759	. . .	183,795	
December,	17,658	. . .	88,290	
65,709 pieces of gold coins,	64,093	1,616		
Total amount of gold coins,	. . .	. . .		324,505
	Half Dollars.	*Quarter Dollars.*		
SILVER COINS.				
Quarter ending in March,	138,390	. . .	69,195	
June,	190,740	200,000	145,370	
September,	236,230	6,124	119,646	
December,	274,216	. . .	137,108	
1,045,700 pieces of silver coins,	839,576	206,124		
Total amount of silver coins,	. . .	. . .		471,319
	Cents.	*Half Cents.*		
COPPER COINS.				
Quarter ending in March,	341,000	. . .	3,410	
June,	7,000	. . .	70	
September,	. . .	179,000	895	
December,	. . .	177,000	885	
704,000 pieces of copper coins,	348,000	356,000		
Total amount of copper coins,	. . .	. . .		5,260
1,815,409 pieces of coins.	Amount of all the coins struck in 1806,			801 084

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

TREASURER'S OFFICE,

Philadelphia, December 31, 1806.

BENJAMIN RUSH.